
Outreach Notice

Modoc National Forest



Assistant District Fire Management Officer (Operations) GS-0462-09

The West Zone of the Modoc National Forest is looking for a highly motivated person for a **NTE 1 year** detail/temporary promotion opportunity into a GS-462-09 position as an Assistant District Fire Management Officer (Operations). The desired qualifications for the incumbent of this position are Division/Group Supervisor and Incident Commander Type 3. This detail/temporary promotion opportunity may run from February 2014 to February 2015. The duty station for this position will be Tulelake, CA.

Brief Description of Job Duties: This position reports directly to the District Fire Management Officer (DFMO) who manages a high complexity Fire program on the Big Valley and Doublehead Ranger Districts of the Modoc National Forest. The ADFMO serves as a leader and supervisor for the District's fire management program. The ADFMO coordinates and directs fire prevention and suppression operations management projects as part of an integrated land management program; develops fire management plans and documents; contributes to the compilation, review, and/or distribution of fire hazard and risk data; collaborates in the planning of wildland fire suppression and prescribed burning operations; assists in the determination of resources required for pre-suppression and suppression activities; provides technical support to districts to ensure integration of fire ecology and effects into all documents, plans, and projects; supports long-range fire preparedness and workforce successional planning; assists in the establishment and operation of training programs; administers personnel management procedures related to performance management; may be delegated to perform as a qualified District Duty Officer and must maintain fire qualifications at the Division Group Supervisor and or Incident Commander Type 3 level.

This position is being advertised Nationwide.

If you have questions about this position, please contact Scott Lucas, District Fire Management Officer at 530-667-8641.

The vacancy announcement is posted on USAJOBS link <https://www.usajobs.gov/>

Vacancy Announcement Information

Vacancy Announcement Open Period	January 10 – 21, 2014
MERIT Announcement Link	https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/358986900

ABOUT THE FOREST:

The Modoc National Forest sets in the extreme north eastern portion of California and is considered high desert. Elevations range from 3500 feet to over 10,000 feet. Vegetation varies from grasslands to dense timber. Modoc National Forest is bounded by the Oregon state line on the north, Medicine Lake Highlands and a volcanic zone on the west, Madeline Plains to the south, and the Warner Mountain Range to the east.

The Fire program on the Modoc consists of ten type III engines, one type II water tender, and one type I Hotshot crew. Fire occurrence on the forest on a ten year average is 95 fires with 3511 acres burned. The forest and other Federal agencies in the area have an active prescribed fire program. The West Zone of the forest averages around 1,000 acres or prescribed fire accomplishment per year.

The Modoc also has a vast range of wildlife from the smallest mouse to Rocky Mountain Elk, as well as numerous species of birds.

The Modoc National Forest covers an area of 1.69 million acres located in Modoc, Lassen and Siskiyou County in Northern California the Forest includes wilderness areas (South Warner). Trailheads are numerous and hikes range from easy to arduous. The Modoc boulder's the Lava Beds National Monument on three sides and neighbors numerous wildlife refuges.

The Forest also helps to meet local and national needs for a variety of natural resources. Proactive vegetation management is an important element of caring for our public lands, and the professional staff of the Modoc leads the way by setting the standards for others to follow. With that, the preservation of biological diversity, and the sustainment of forest health are important to us.

About Tulelake:

The Doublehead Ranger District Office is located in Tulelake, CA. Tulelake is a farming community with a population of 1000, which is situated at an elevation of 4,034 feet. The climate is mild with rainfall averaging 11 inches per year. The town has a post office, grocery store, which also serves as a gasoline station, hardware store, bank, automobile parts stores, a satellite Department of Motor Vehicles office, restaurant, fast food stand, a small medical clinic, and county library office. The public schools provide instruction from kindergarten through high school. Tulelake is also located six miles from Merrill, Oregon, which is a small thriving community with amenities, while Klamath Falls, Oregon is the nearest big city 25 miles north of Tulelake, CA. In Klamath Falls there are the large shopping malls, banks, law offices, medical centers, hospital, community and technical colleges, public schools, restaurants, art galleries, museums, marina, movie theater, airport, train station, bus terminal, and other businesses.

About Klamath Falls:

Klamath Falls, the county seat, is located in the south central portion of Oregon at an elevation of 4,100 feet. The population of Klamath Falls (city and suburbs) is approximately 45,000. Klamath County is noted for being the "Sunshine City of Oregon" since it has an average of 290 days of sunshine per year.

Community facilities include one full-service hospital with 176 beds, 2 urgent care centers, over 70 churches representing approximately 40 denominations, 2 performing theaters, several museums and art galleries, the YMCA, 13 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 3 high schools, Klamath Community College, and Oregon Institute of Technology, the Pacific Northwest's only public polytechnic institute. Several large department stores such as Wal-Mart, Fred Meyer, Gottschalks, and Home Depot are located within the city limits. Grocery stores are plentiful. Klamath Falls is also home to 3 indoor pools, 1 outdoor pool, 1 private 18-hole, 4 public 18-hole, and 2 nine-hole golf courses. The local newspaper is the Herald and News from Klamath Falls. The Oregonian from Portland is also available.

Klamath Falls is located at the intersection of Highways 39, 66, 97, and 130. Transportation is available through Amtrak, the Municipal airport, and bus services. There is also a shuttle available for trips to Medford/Ashland, located 70 miles to the southwest. Klamath Falls is ideally situated approximately 1 1/2 hours from Ashland, Oregon, 5 1/2 hours from Portland, Oregon, 6 hours from San Francisco, California, and 4 1/2 hours from Reno, Nevada.

Recreation opportunities include wilderness backpacking, hiking, boating, camping, sailing, fishing, biking, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, horseback riding, hunting, and bird watching. Downhill skiing and sledding opportunities are available at Mt. Bachelor Ski Park in Bend, OR; located approximately 3 hours away, or Mt. Shasta Recreation Area in Shasta City, California; located approximately 1 1/2 hour away, as is Mt. Ashland Ski Park in Ashland, Oregon. Within 1 – 1 1/2 hours away from Klamath Falls, you may find yourself at Crater Lake National Park or Lava Beds National Monument.

For more information about the community, contact the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce at:

Klamath County Chamber of Commerce

504 Main Street

Klamath Falls, OR 97601

Phone: (541) 884-5193, or toll-free: 1-877-KLAMATH (552-6284)

Or, if preferred, the Chamber of Commerce can be contacted via their website at:

<http://www.klamath.org/>

More information on the Modoc National Forest is on our website: <http://fs.usda.gov/modoc/> .

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